

Appl. No. 11/008,731
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Amdt. Dated May 17, 2006
Reply to Office Action of May 4, 2006
Customer No. 27752

REMARKS

Claims 2-9, 23 and 28-31 are now in the case.

It is Applicants' belief that the amendments previously submitted on January 18, 2006, have been entered and the remarks considered.

Requirement under 37 C.F.R. 1.111

The Office Action dated May 4, 2006, states that "[t]he reply is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because [it] must present arguments pointing out the specific distinctions believed to render the claims, including any newly added presented claims, patentable over any applied references."

Dependent claims 28-31

In their previous submission, Applicants have added dependent claims 28-31, which all depend on independent claim 23.

In a previous communication from the Office dated November 19, 2005, independent claim 23 was indicated as being allowed.

Since claims 28-31 depend on independent claim 23 and since independent claim 23 has been allowed, Applicants submit that dependent claims 28-31 should also be allowed in view of the prior art of record.

In view of the previous remarks, it is submitted that all the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action on all claims is therefore requested.

If the next action is other than to allow the claims, the undersigned representative is requesting the favor of a telephonic interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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